

PTO Meeting Tuesday, April 20, 2010

Cromer teachers present:

Ms. Hales, Ms. Tegler, Ms. Cardon, Ms. Immethun, Ms. Wildermuth, Ms. Maben, Ms. Elliot and Mr. Woolston

PTO board members present:

Matthew Fleece- President

Teresa Andrade- Treasurer

Secretaries- Cindy Norris and Karin Ramos

Many parents were in attendance for this meeting.

Meeting was called to order by Matthew Fleece at 7:07PM. He started by introducing the current PTO board members to those at the meeting.

Treasurer's Report:

Teresa reported that the e scrip program participants are "down" from last year. We only expect ½ the projected amount we received last year.

Teresa also inquired where the savings bonds from Cromer for the winners of the Science Fair are located. She will follow up with Ms. Divitorio regarding the savings bonds.

Shannon Shoots informed the attendees that Cromer elementary school made the list of top 50 schools in Arizona for e scrip. She will attempt "one last push" to enter more names onto the list with Safeway for the e scrip program. Ideas were discussed of how to promote this. One of the ideas was to have a classroom contest for the entrees and award the class with the most with a movie/popcorn reward.

Shannon also mentioned perhaps awarding the Safeway store on Hwy 89 with a plaque that thanks them for their assistance in this accomplishment and the support they provide for Cromer Elementary School.

Ms. Tegler offered an idea of having Safeway perhaps display a sign stating their partnership with Cromer in the e scrip program. Shannon said she will check with Safeway.

Muffins with Mom and Donuts with Dad were both successful this year. Some parents had mentioned to the teachers about combining the two events into one. Concerns regarding the parking availability and room in the “commons” area for the number of parents were discussed.

Karin Ramos mentioned that before those events occur next year the Cromer PTO needs to purchase a couple of 100 cup coffee machines. Those currently being used are breaking and leaking.

One of the parents mentioned that the PTO should check with the Farmer Bros. distributors in Flagstaff and see if they can provide the machines for the events if the coffee is purchased from them. Another parent mentioned that perhaps there should also be some fruit provided during the events for the children.

Matthew Fleece inquired whether there should be a End of the Year Event/ Basket Raffle/ Family Dinner Night out this year?

Discussions occurred whether the baskets should be made by classrooms or by grades? Last year we had baskets by grades. Ms. Immethun mentioned that the economic situation may affect the success of this event if done by classroom. A vote was taken and decided upon by those attending the meeting to have the basket raffle by grades this year. Baskets can also be made by the PTO and any other dept. interested.

A vote was also taken and decided upon by all attending to move the end of the year event to May 21<sup>st</sup> from 6-8:30PM. Matthew asked for volunteers for the event from the parents attending. Jody Hicks said she would call the volunteer list and start lining people up. A sign up sheet was sent around and parents interested in volunteering signed up.

A decision was also made regarding the dinner the same evening. Ideas were discussed regarding, 1. Movie and popcorn, 2. Hot dogs, 3. Spaghetti dinner. The spaghetti dinner is provided by Southwest Foods (a local company) and would cost \$3.00 per meal including spaghetti with meat sauce, bread and salad.

A proposal regarding a Silent Auction basket was mentioned by one of the parents and a vote was passed to include that to the basket raffle evening.

Rick and Brenda Emry’s oldest son, Jeremy, presented a proposal and power point regarding a project for his Eagle Scout promotion. His project would include building shelters for the teachers on the playground over the Summer with assistance. Prices vary per structure. A vote was taken by those attending the PTO meeting to provide up to 4500.00 for the project for Jeremy from the Improvement Fund. Mr. Woolston will assist to propose the project to the school district for passage of the project.

New Cromer PTO board officers were elected by those attending the meeting. Those parents voted in for the next year's school year are:

1. Kathleen Callander / Matthew Fleece: Co- Presidents
2. Jovita Hood/ Virginia Happner: Co-Vice Presidents
3. Christine Tidwell: Secretary
4. Jody Hicks: Treasurer

Elections were completed and the meeting was adjourned at 7:35PM